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1. SUMMARY/COMMENT: CONFERENCE'S FINAL DECLARATION
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PUBLISHED MAY 11 IN DAKAR OMITS CALLS FOR ISRAELI
EXPULSION FROM UN AND FOR CHANGE IN UNSC VETO RIGHT.
IT ALSO DELETES EXPLICIT CRITICISM OF
U.S. IN MIDDLE EAST, THOUGH URGING AMERICAN
RECOGNITION OF PLO. EXPLICIT CONDEMNATION OF U.S.
EFFORTS STILL APPEARED IN DRAFT VERSION OF FINAL
DECLARATION, AND WE CANNOT BE SURE WHETHER EDITED
PUBLISHED VERSION REFLECTS SENEGALESE GESTURE TO AVOID
OFFENSE TO AMERICAN SENSIBILITIES ON LOCAL LEVEL, OR
WHETHER MORE WIDE-SCALE POST-CONFERENCE SANITIZING
OF INTEMPERATE LANGUAGE IS TAKING PLACE. MOST LIKELY
THE FORMER, BUT THERE MAY BE NO DECISIVE ANSWER UNTIL
ISLAMIC SECRETARIAT ISSUES OFFICIAL DOCUMENTS. ON
OTHER ITEMS, FINAL DECLARATION LINKS DOES NOT
EQUATE ZIONISM AND RACISM, EXPRESSES SOLIDARITY WITH
PEOPLE OF NAMIBIA, AND CRITICIZES SOUTH AFRICA AND
RHODESIA (BUT NOBODY ELSE) ON NAMIBIA AND ZIMBABWE.
THIS MESSAGE ALSO CITES LANGUAGE ON DISARMAMENT, ECONOMIC
AND OTHER ISSUES NOT PREVIOUSLY FULLY REPORTED. END
SUMMARY.

2. EMBASSY HAS OBTAINED CONFIDENTIALLY PARTIAL TYPED

CARBON COPY OF 26-PAGE FINAL DECLARATION. AT SAME TIME, DAKAR PRESS HAS PUBLISHED COMPLETE TEXT OF FINAL DECLARATION SUPPLIED BY FOREIGN MINISTRY WHICH DIFFERS SOMEWHAT FROM OUR DRAFT, ALTHOUGH BOTH DOCUMENTS IN MOST RESPECTS CLOSELY PARALLEL PREVIOUS EMBASSY REPORTING (REFTELS). DECLARATION DOES NOT CONTAIN TOTAL RECORD OF POSITIONS TAKEN BY CONFERENCE SINCE IT ONLY INCORPORATES KEY POINTS OF SELECTED RESOLUTIONS. HOWEVER, SINCE DECLARATION WILL BE SEEN AS PRINCIPAL CONFERENCE PRODUCT, ITEMS WHICH IT OMITTS ARE SIGNIFICANT, AS ARE STRIKING DIFFERENCES BETWEEN TWO VERSIONS OF DECLARATION. EMBASSY IS POUCHING PUBLISHED VERSION TO ALL ADDRESSEES.

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3. ONE-THIRD OF DECLARATION IS DEVOTED TO PALESTINE AND MIDDLE EAST QUESTIONS, BUT IT OMITTS CALL IN PALESTINE RESOLUTION FOR "SEVERE SANCTIONS AGAINST ISRAEL, INCLUDING EXPULSION FROM THE U.N." (THOUGH WE ASSUME EXPULSION LANGUAGE STILL REMAINS IN COMPLETE PALESTINIAN RESOLUTION ITSELF).

4. SECOND SIGNIFICANT ITEM IS TREATMENT OF U.S. ROLE IN MIDDLE EAST. FINAL DECLARATION IN TYPED FORM CONTAINED LANGUAGE CORRESPONDING WITH PREVIOUS EMBASSY REPORTING CONDEMNING "ALL LIQUIDATIONIST AND DEFEATIST ATTEMPTS SPONSORED BY THE UNITED STATES TO SERVE ITS INTERESTS IN THE AREA SAFEGUARD (SIC) THE ZIONIST RACIST PRESENCE IN OCCUPIED PALESTINE EITHER THROUGH SPONSORING BILATERAL SOLUTIONS OR BYPASSING THE CORE OF THE PROBLEM." IN STRIKING CONTRAST, VERSION

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PUBLISHED IN DAKAR OMITS EXPLICIT REFERENCE TO U.S.,
SIMPLY CONDEMNING "ALL EFFORTS INTENDED TO MAINTAIN
THE ZIONIST AND RACIST PRESENCE IN OCCUPIED PALESTINE
AND WHICH CONSIST OF SANCTIONING BILATERAL SOLUTIONS."

5. DECLARATION AS TYPED ALSO AFFIRMED PLO'S RIGHT TO
"WORK FOR REJECTION OF ALL FORMS OF DEFEATIST AMERICAN
SETTLEMENTS AND LIQUIDATIONIST SCHEMES AND FOR DEFEATING
ANY SETTLEMENT THAT WOULD AFFECT THE INALIENABLE RIGHT
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OF THE PALESTINIAN PEOPLE." AGAIN, PUBLISHED VERSION
DELETES U.S. REFERENCE, ALLUDING ONLY TO RIGHT TO
DEFEAT ANY SETTLEMENT WHICH WOULD AFFECT INALIENABLE
PALESTINIAN RIGHTS. DECLARATION ACKNOWLEDGES THAT
"CERTAIN COUNTRIES" EXPRESSED RESERVATIONS ON PALESTINE
RESOLUTION. (THESE ARE ONLY RESERVATIONS CITED ANYWHERE
IN DECLARATION.)

6. ONLY REMAINING EXPLICIT AMERICAN REFERENCE IN
PUBLISHED DECLARATION IS APPEAL TO US TO RECOGNIZE PLO.
HOWEVER, DENUNCIATION OF UNNAMED STATES AIDING ISRAEL,
SEVERE CONDEMNATION OF ISRAEL ITSELF, CALL FOR BREAKING
ALL RELATIONS WITH ISRAEL AND OTHER ITEMS REPORTED
REF C ALL APPEAR MORE OR LESS VERBATIM.

7. SECURITY COUNCIL VETO: FINAL RESOLUTION MAKES NO
COMMENT ON THIS SUBJECT, EVEN THOUGH IT WAS PROMINENT
AGENDA ITEM.

8. ZIONISM: RESOLUTION ON ZIONISM, APARTHEID AND
RACISM, WHICH SO FAR AS WE KNOW WAS ADOPTED, "RECALLS"
UNGA 1975 RESOLUTION EQUATING ZIONISM AND RACISM, BUT
DID NOT EXPLICITLY AFFIRM IT. HOWEVER, TWO ISMS ARE
REPEATEDLY JUXTAPOSED IN CONFERENCE PAPERS, AS IN
FINAL DECLARATION'S CALL ON MEMBER STATES TO SUPPORT
PALESTINIAN PEOPLE IN STRUGGLE AGAINST "ZIONIST AND
RACIST COLONIALISM." PARALLEL IS ALSO DRAWN BETWEEN
"REPRESSIVE ZIONIST ACTIVITIES" IN PALESTINE AND RACISM
IN SOUTHERN AFRICA; FINAL STATEMENT CONDEMNS EXISTENCE
OF "COLONIAL AND RACIST REGIMES IN AFRICA AND IN
PALESTINE" AND REAFFIRMS DECLARATION ADOPTED AT 1977
LISBON WORLD CONFERENCE AGAINST APARTHEID, ACCORDING

TO WHICH "ZIONISM AND APARTHEID ARE TWO TWIN FORMS OF
RACISM AND COLONIALISM."

9. SOUTHERN AFRICA: DECLARATION SAYS CONFERENCE
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CONDEMNED "ATTEMPTS OF GOVERNMENTS OF SOUTH AFRICA AND
RHODESIA INTENDED TO DEPRIVE THE PEOPLES OF ZIMBABWE
AND NAMIBIA OF THEIR LEGITIMATE RIGHT TO LIBERTY AND
INDEPENDENCE." IT AGREED TO SEND MESSAGE OF "SOLIDARITY
WITH THE PEOPLE OF NAMIBIA" TO UN SPECIAL SESSION ON
NAMIBIA.

10. DISARMAMENT: CONFERENCE URGED ALL POSSIBLE EFFORTS
TO ESTABLISH NUCLEAR-WEAPONS-FREE ZONES IN AFRICA,
MIDDLE EAST AND SOUTH ASIA, CALLED ON NUCLEAR WEAPON
POWERS TO HONOR THEIR OBLIGATIONS WITH REGARD TO
DENUCLEARIZATION OF THESE REGIONS AND URGED CONCERTED

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ISLAMIC POSITIONS AT UN SPECIAL SESSION ON DISARMAMENT
(SSOD) TO ACHIEVE THESE NUCLEAR-WEAPON-FREE-ZONES.
CONFERENCE WELCOMED 32ND UNGA RESOLUTION URGING NUCLEAR-
WEAPON STATES, AS FIRST STEP TOWARD COMPLETE BAN, TO
CONSIDER NUCLEAR-WEAPON-FREE-ZONES, NOT TO USE OF
THREATEN TO USE NUCLEAR WEAPONS AGAINST NON-NUCLEAR-
WEAPON POWERS, AND GIVE SERIOUS CONSIDERATION AT SSOD

TO EXTENDING EXISTING UNGA RESOLUTION AND TAKE EXPEDITIOUS
ACTION TO STRENGTHEN SECURITY OF NON-NUCLEAR-WEAPON
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STATES.

1. ECONOMIC: CONFERENCE NOTED WITH CONCERN THAT
PERSISTING UNFAVORABLE INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC CONDITIONS
CONTINUE TO AFFECT ADVERSELY THE ECONOMIC AND FINANCIAL
SITUATION AND GROWTH PROSPECTS OF DEVELOPING COUNTRIES,
EXPRESSED DISAPPOINTMENT AT "DEADLOCK" ON COMMON FUND,
"DISTURBING TRENDS OF PROTECTIONISM" IN INDUSTRIALIZED
COUNTRIES, "STAGNATION" IN TRANSFER OF CONCESSIONAL
RESOURCES, PERSISTING ACCOUNT DEFICITS FACED BY LEAST
DEVELOPED AND "CRUSHING BURDEN" OF EXTERNAL DEBT.
CONFERENCE EXPRESSED "TOTAL SOLIDARITY" WITH LDC'S
IN EFFORTS TO ACHIEVE CONCRETE RESULTS IN ECONOMIC
NEGOTIATIONS WITH ADVANCED COUNTRIES. IT WELCOMED AID
GIVEN BY SOME ISLAMIC COUNTRIES AND URGED DEVELOPED
STATES TO INCREASE REAL RESOURCE TRANSFERS AND HELP
REVIVE MOMENTUM OF NIEO NEGOTIATIONS. IT URGED
LDCS TO CONSIDER CONVENING GROUP OF 77 PRIOR TO FIRST
SUBSTANTIVE SESSION OF UN COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE ON
NIEO. CONFERENCE WELCOMED EGYPT'S OFFER TO HOST
1979 MEETING ON COOPERATION FOR FOOD SECURITY IN
ISLAMIC COUNTRIES.

12. ON OTHER MATTERS, CONFERENCE RECOMMENDED SUPPORT
FOR CANDIDACIES OF TURKEY, TUNISIA AND BANGLADESH FOR
SECURITY COUNCIL AND OF PAKISTAN TO ECONOMIC AND
SOCIAL COUNCIL. NEXT YEAR'S CONFERENCE WILL BE IN
MOROCCO, FOLLOWED BY PAKISTAN IN 1980.
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